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Classified By: Ambassador David Hale for reasons 1.4 (B) and (D).

(C) The Ambassador delivered Ref A talking points to Foreign Minister Kasrawi November 15, with particular focus on the proposed structure of the November 19 preparatory meeting in Cairo, and the possibility that Arab League Secretary General Amr Moussa may be complicating Iraq's political situation by offering a competing political process. Iraq, the UK, and the US want to ensure that any language regarding Iraqi politics formulated during the preparatory meeting mirror language from UNSC resolutions 1546 and 1637. The Ambassador stressed the importance of having all Arab League members work with Jaafari and asked that Jordan do all it could to ensure that the outcome of the preparatory meeting is supportive of Iraq's fledgling political process. Foreign Minister Kasrawi was receptive to the message, and agreed to work toward an outcome that supported our common vision of the political process in Iraq. He had already been in contact with the Iraqi government, was aware of their concerns, and sympathetic to them.

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